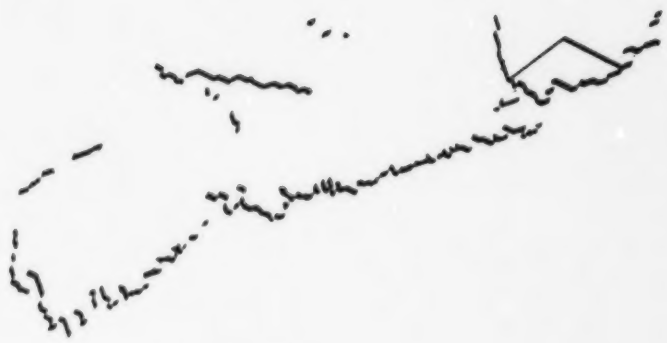
Richmond County

Richmond County is the smallest in the province. The eastern and western parts of the county are joined at St. Peters Canal. A causeway connects Isle Madame with the south western part of the county.

Throughout the 1800's and until the mid 1900's the mainstay of economic activity within the county was fishing and fisheries related activities. Even today Isle Madame and the north eastern part of the county are closely tied to the fishery.

In the early 1950's the construction of the Canso Causeway created a year round deep water port in the southern portion of the Strait. Point Tupper has developed as a highly industrialized area on the basis of this port facility. While much of the residential and commercial developments, associated with this industrial activity, have located in Inverness County, the western portion of Richmond County has also undergone major changes. Highway No. 104 is completed from Port Hawkesbury to St. Peters and a new regional hospital has been constructed at Lower River Inhabitants.



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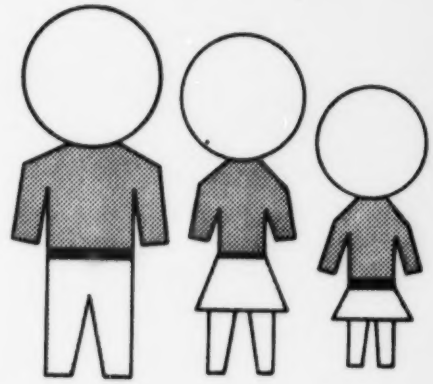
Richmond County

Statistical Summary

	YEAR		% OF NOVA SCOTIA
Land area (sq. kilometers)	1981	1,230.2	2.3
Population	1981	12,284	1.4
Population density (per sq. kilometer)	1981	10.1	63.1
Labour Force	1981	4,365	1.2
Employed	1981	3,510	1.0
Average income per tax filer ($)	1981	10,042	80.3
Total retail sales ($'000)	1983	23,900	0.7
Retail sales per capita ($)	1983	1,941	48.6
Number of farms	1981	47	0.9
Lumber production (M. fbm.)	1982	176	0.1
Pulpwood production (m^3 solid wood)	1982	75,515	3.8
Sea fish landings (metric tons)	1982	11,552	2.5
Sea fish landings ($'000)	1982	3,633	1.4
Number of manufacturing establishments *	1981	33	4.0
Value of manufacturing shipments ($'000) *	1981	251,842	6.6
Number of permits for residential units	1983	108	1.8
Value of total building permits ($'000)	1983	7,464	1.6

* Includes Richmond, Inverness and Victoria Counties.

SOURCES: Statistics Canada, Canadian Markets, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Revenue Canada



Map 1

Subdivisions, Communities and Highways

Richmond County

LEGEND

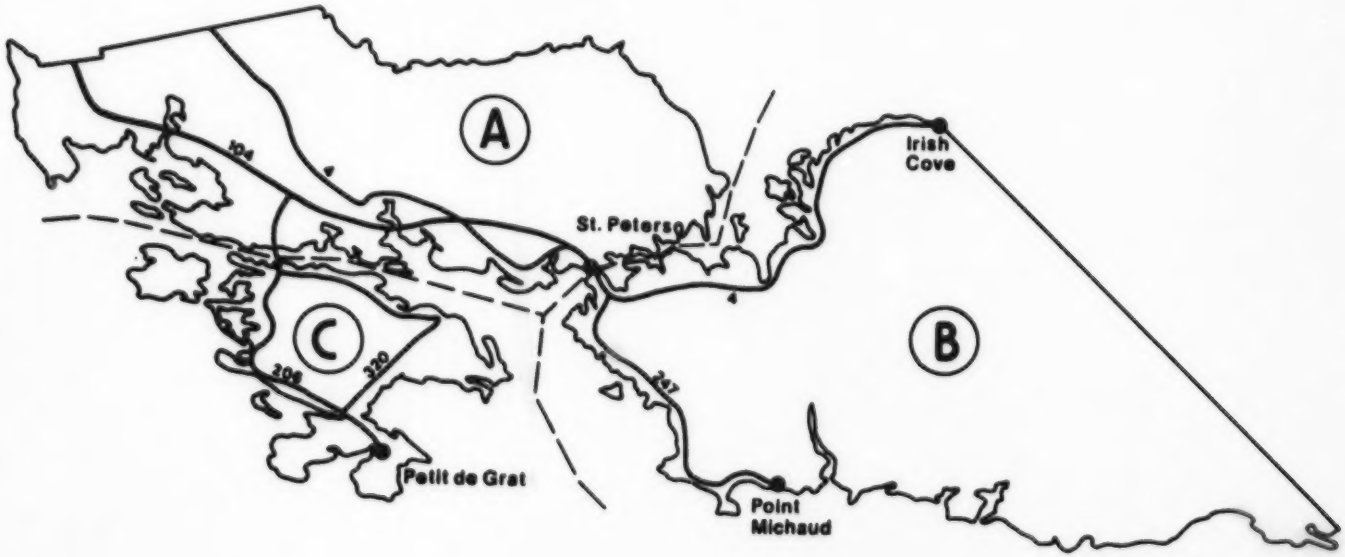
Census Subdivision A - Point Tupper-St. Peters

Census Subdivision B - Loch Lomond-Grand River

Census Subdivision C - Madame Island Area

Census Subdivision Boundary

Highway & Number



Graph 1

Index of Population Growth
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1961-1981

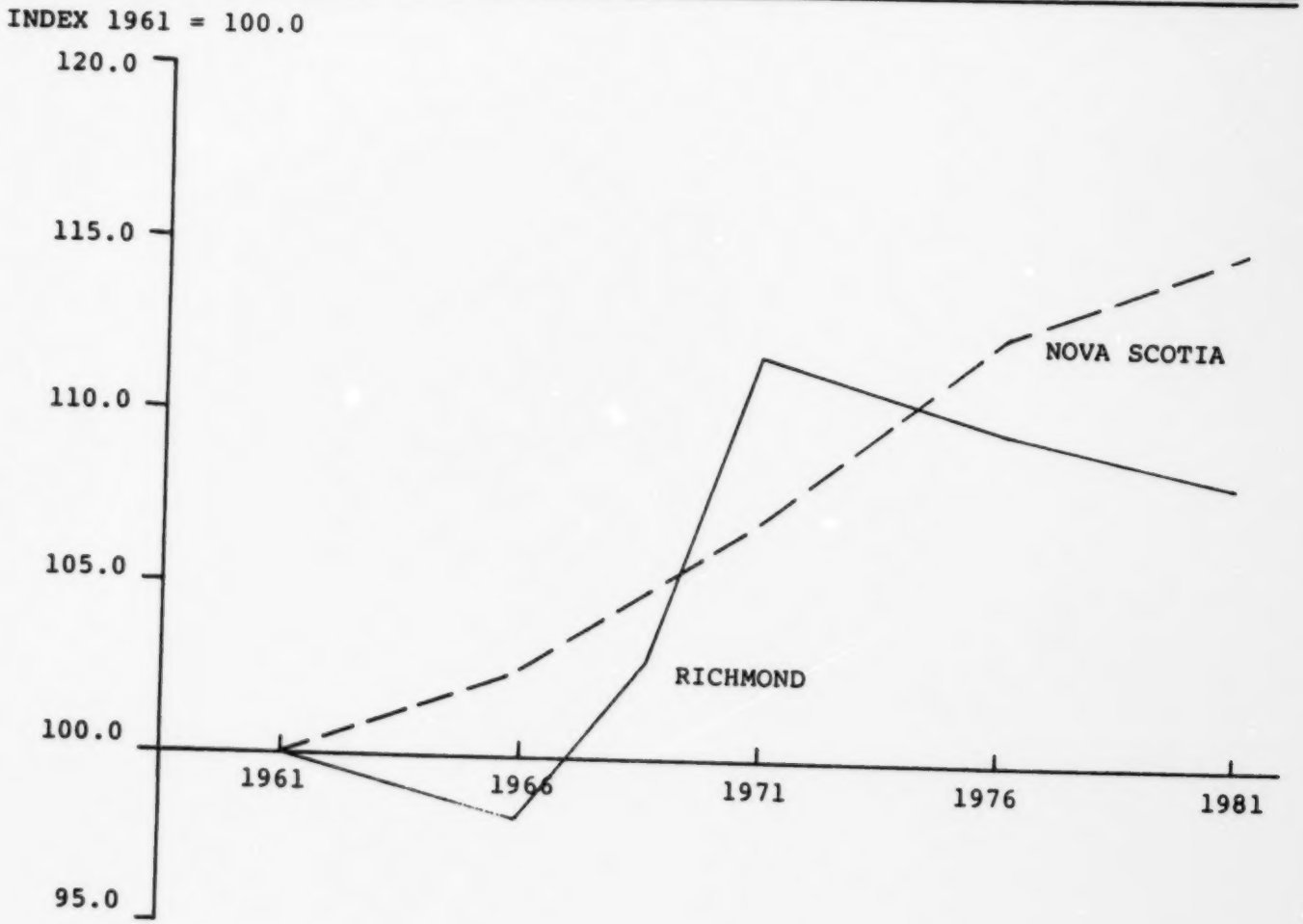


Table 1

Population Growth
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1961-1981

	1961	1966	1971	1976	1981
NOVA SCOTIA	737,007	756,039	788,960	828,571	847,442
Richmond County	11,374	11,218	12,734	12,447	12,284
Sub. A - Point Tupper-St. Peter's	4,242	4,093	4,932	4,851	4,879
Sub. B - Loch Lomond-Grand River	2,691	2,485	2,669	2,526	2,396
Sub. C - Isle Madame	4,317	4,470	4,967	4,904	4,807
Richmond Indian Reserves	124	170	166	166	202

Index of Population Growth
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1961-1981

NOVA SCOTIA	100.0	102.6	107.0	112.4	115.0
Richmond County	100.0	98.6	112.0	109.4	108.0
Sub. A - Point Tupper-St. Peter's	100.0	96.5	116.3	114.4	115.0
Sub. B - Loch Lomond-Grand River	100.0	92.3	99.2	93.9	89.0
Sub. C - Isle Madame	100.0	103.5	115.0	113.6	111.4
Richmond Indian Reserves	100.0	137.1	133.9	133.9	162.9

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 2

Population of Unincorporated Centres of 100 +
Richmond County, 1976 and 1981

	1976	1981		1976	1981
Alderney Point	275	238	Lower L'Ardoise	262	221
Arichat	893	824	Petit-de-Grat	762	527
Boudreauville	n/a	283	Poulamon	271	279
D'Escousse	233	245	River Bourgeois	607	608
Evanston	212	253	Rockdale	241	240
L'Ardoise	242	420	Sampsonville	350	380
L'Ardoise West	402	241	St. Peter's	705	669
Little Anse	305	280	West Arichat	570	568
Louisdale	1,026	967			

n/a Not Available

Due to the lack of legal or official boundaries, the Census is not always able to distinguish the population of these unincorporated places from that of the surrounding area.

The population totals shown in this report for 1976 and 1981 should thus be considered as approximations.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 3

Rural and Urban Population Distribution
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1976 and 1981

	RICHMOND COUNTY				NOVA SCOTIA			
	Number		%		Number		%	
	1976[1]	1981[2]	1976	1981	1976[1]	1981[2]	1976	1981
Rural	11,414	11,305	91.7	92.0	360,416	380,600	43.5	44.9
Non-Farm	11,276	11,107	90.6	90.4	338,970	362,484	40.9	42.8
Farm	138	198	1.1	1.6	21,446	18,116	2.6	2.1
Urban	1,033	979	8.3	8.0	468,155	466,842	56.5	55.1
Total	12,447	12,284	100.0	100.0	828,571	847,442	100.0	100.0

1 Based on 1981 definition of farm population.

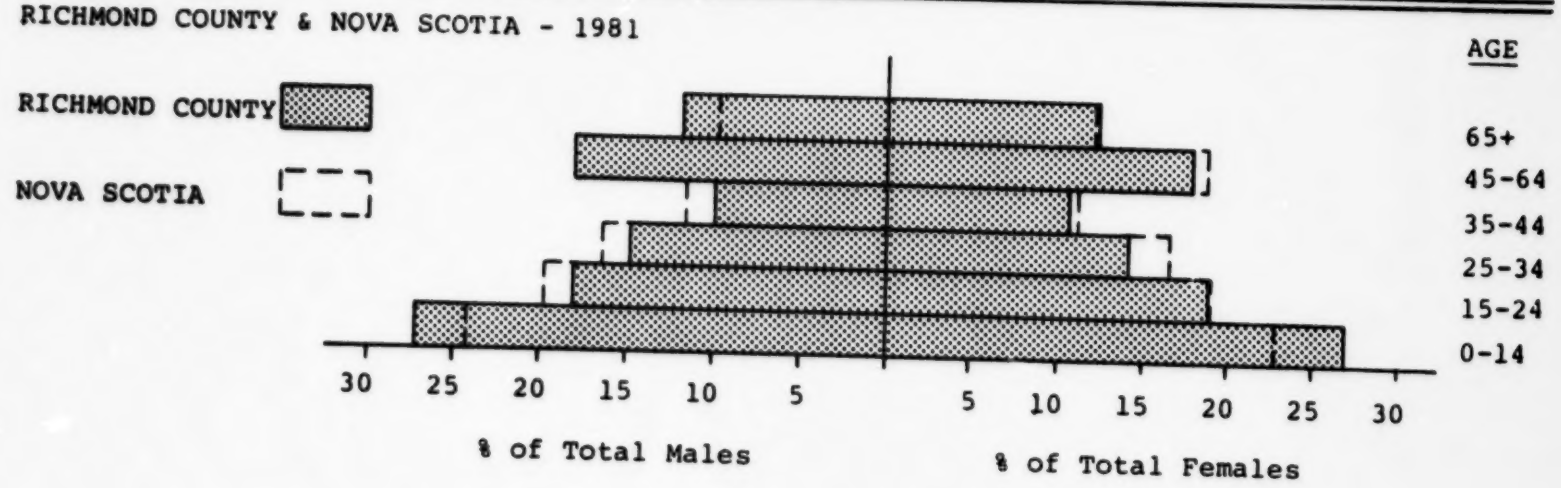
2 Farm population in 1981 refers to all persons living in a farm operator household on a farm situated in either a rural or urban area. Only farms with sales of $250 or more are included.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Graph 2

Age-Sex Pyramids

Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1976 and 1981



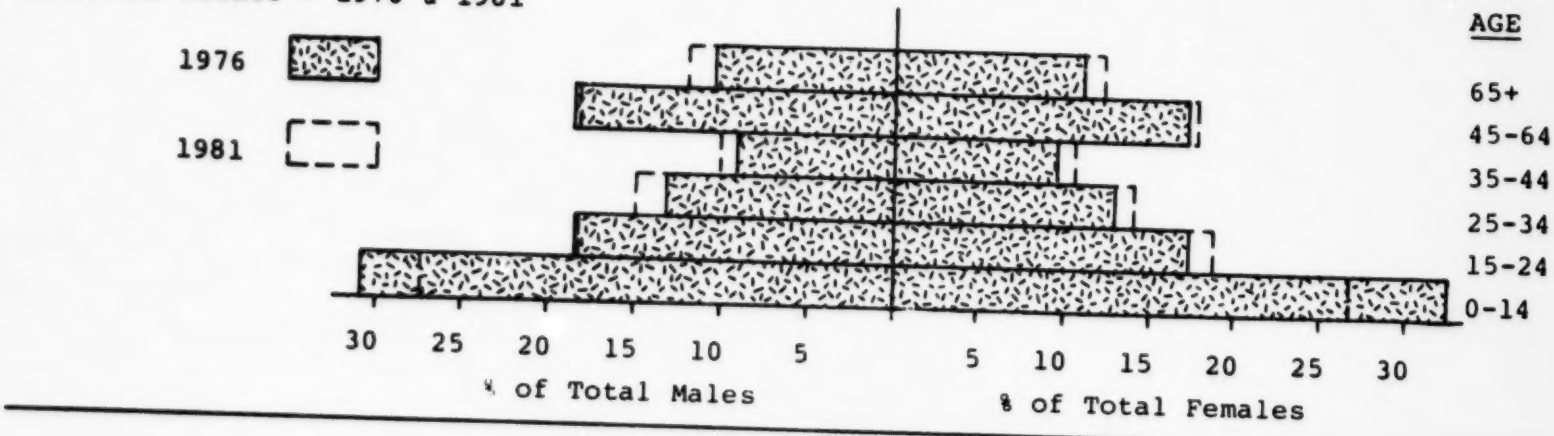


Table 4

Age-Sex % Distribution of the Population
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1976 and 1981

Age	RICHMOND COUNTY				NOVA SCOTIA			
	1976		1981		1976		1981	
	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %	Male %	Female %
0-14	30.8	32.3	27.2	26.6	27.7	26.3	24.3	22.6
15-24	18.2	17.2	18.1	18.7	20.0	19.1	19.8	18.9
25-34	13.1	12.9	14.8	14.1	15.0	14.6	16.5	16.4
35-44	9.1	9.5	10.0	10.6	10.4	10.1	11.6	11.2
45-64	18.5	17.1	18.1	17.7	18.2	19.1	18.1	18.7
65+	10.3	11.0	11.8	12.3	8.6	10.8	9.7	12.2
TOTAL	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
TOTAL NUMBER	6,330	6,110	6,200	6,085	414,155	414,420	419,575	427,865

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 5

Population by Marital Status and Sex
Richmond County, 1981

		Total Population	SINGLE (NEVER MARRIED)			MARRIED			WIDOWED	DIVORCED
			Total	Under 15 yrs.	15 yrs. & Over	Total	Married	Separated		
Nova Scotia	- T	847,440	383,005	198,490	184,515	402,505	388,885	13,625	45,480	16,450
	- M	419,575	203,730	101,740	101,990	200,780	194,800	5,975	8,040	7,025
	- F	427,865	179,275	96,750	82,525	201,725	194,085	7,640	37,440	9,420
Richmond Co.	- T	12,285	6,045	3,310	2,735	5,480	5,310	175	665	95
	- M	6,195	3,285	1,690	1,595	2,740	2,660	85	125	50
	- F	6,085	2,760	1,620	1,140	2,745	2,650	90	540	50

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 6

Vital Statistics

Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1978-1982

	LIVE BIRTHS BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE					DEATHS BY PLACE OF RESIDENCE				
	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
Richmond County	183	182	182	172	146	134	111	97	106	91
Nova Scotia	12,548	12,406	12,369	12,079	12,325	6,877	6,843	7,004	6,958	6,941

SOURCE: Department of Health, Vital Statistics

Table 7

Family Characteristics
Richmond County, 1981

	TOTAL FAMILIES	FAMILIES BY NUMBER OF PERSONS							TOTAL PERSONS IN FAMILIES	AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS PER FAMILY	
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8+		1981	1976
Nova Scotia											
Number	216,200	78,495	48,280	50,540	24,520	9,315	3,125	1,920	721,035	3.3	3.5
% of Total	100.0	36.3	22.3	23.4	11.3	4.3	1.4	0.9			
Richmond County											
Number	2,915	895	595	640	420	210	90	70	10,730	3.7	3.9
% of Total	100.0	30.7	20.4	21.9	14.4	7.2	3.1	2.4			
Chapel Island*	35	10	5	5	5	5	0	5	165	4.7	5.7
Richmond Munic.	2,885	885	585	630	415	210	95	65	10,565	3.7	3.9

* **Reserve**

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 8

Family Incomes
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1980

	1980		
	Average Family Income	% of Nova Scotia Average	% Low Income Families of Total Families[1]
	$	%	%
Nova Scotia	21,872	100.0	14.2
Richmond County	18,101	82.8	18.8
Sub. A - Point Tupper - St. Peter's	18,048	82.5	20.0
Sub. B - Loch Lomond - Grand Lake	16,258	74.3	21.5
Sub. C - Isle Madame	19,406	88.7	16.0
Chapel Island	8,278	37.8	---

[1]Low income statistics are based on the revised (1978) cut-offs which were initially estimated from the 1978 National Family Expenditure Survey and then updated to 1980 by the changes in the Consumer Price Index since 1978. The cut-offs are based on size of family unit and population of size area of residence.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 9

Average Income per Income Tax Filer

Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1977-1982

	ALL RETURNS FILED			
	Number	Total Income	Average Income	% Average Income of Nova Scotia Average
		$'000	$	%
Richmond County				
- 1977	4,628	42,693	9,225	93.7
- 1978[1]	5,974	44,772	7,494	80.8
- 1979	6,044	50,586	8,370	82.8
- 1980	5,947	52,943	8,902	80.5
- 1981	6,056	60,814	10,042	80.3
- 1982	5,924	63,799	10,770	77.5

	PERCENTAGE OF RETURNS BY INCOME GROUP			
	Richmond County		Nova Scotia	
Income Group	1977	1982	1977	1982
	%	%	%	%
Under $2,500	15.3	24.6	12.8	17.2
$ 2,500 - $ 5,000	16.9	12.0	16.7	9.8
$ 5,000 - $ 7,500	19.2	11.2	16.8	10.2
$ 7,500 - $10,000	12.4	9.6	14.0	9.4
$10,000 - $15,000	15.2	16.2	20.1	17.1
$15,000 - $20,000	15.6	8.7	11.3	11.8
$20,000 - $25,000	2.4	6.4	4.5	9.2
$25,000 - $30,000	1.9	5.7	1.9	6.2
$30,000 +	1.2	5.6	1.8	9.1

[1]Comparatively lower average income in 1978 is due to a greater number of low income returns filed to claim child tax credit. This claim applies also to succeeding years.

SOURCE: Revenue Canada, Taxation Statistics

Table 10

Households and Average Number of Persons per Household
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1976 and 1981

	NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS		AVERAGE NUMBER OF PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	
	1976	1981	1976	1981
Nova Scotia	243,100	273,195	3.3	3.0
Richmond County	3,180	3,450	3.8	3.5
Subdivision A	1,245	1,375	3.8	3.5
Subdivision B	715	725	3.5	3.3
Subdivision C	1,180	1,305	4.1	3.6
Indian Reserves	30	40	5.5	4.7

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 11

Occupied Dwellings by Tenure and Type
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1976 and 1981

	RICHMOND COUNTY	NOVA SCOTIA
TENURE:		
1976 - Owned (%)	90.7	72.4
Rented (%)	9.4	27.6
Total (No.)	3,175	243,100
1981 - Owned (%)	89.0	71.5
Rented (%)	11.0	28.5
Total (No.)	3,450	273,195
TYPE:		
1976 - Singles, Doubles & Row (%)	91.9	78.9
Apartments (%)	1.6	15.4
Mobile (%)	6.5	5.7
Total (No.)	3,175	243,100
1981 - Singles, Doubles & Row (%)	89.6	77.9
Apartments (%)	3.0	16.7
Mobile (%)	7.4	5.4
Total (No.)	3,450	273,195

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

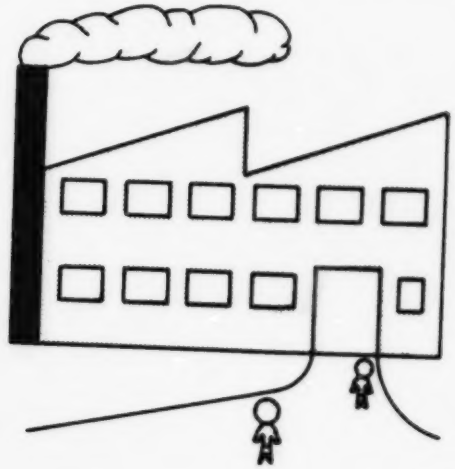


Table 12

Labour Force Activity
Richmond County, 1976 and 1981

	1976			1981		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Population 15+	4,385	4,140	8,525	4,475	4,405	8,885
Labour Force	2,725	1,075	3,800	2,795	1,565	4,365
Employment	2,355	905	3,255	2,255	1,260	3,510
Unemployment	370	175	540	545	305	850
Unemployment Rate [1]	13.6	16.3	14.2	19.5	19.5	19.5
Participation Rate [2]	62.1	26.0	44.6	62.5	35.5	49.1

[1] Unemployed as a percent of labour force.

[2] Labour force as a percent of population 15+.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 13

Labour Force, 15 Years and Over, by Age, Sex and Level of Schooling
Richmond County, 1981

	Total	No Certificate Or Diploma Less Than Grade 9	No Certificate Or Diploma Grades 9 - 13	High School Certificate Or Diploma	Trades, University Or Other Non-University Certificate Or Diploma	University Degree
Labour Force						
Total	4,360	850	1,475	555	1,240	240
Male	2,795	680	860	280	820	155
Female	1,570	175	615	275	420	80
Aged 15-24						
Total	1,035	45	395	280	285	35
Male	525	35	220	115	150	5
Female	510	5	175	170	140	30
Aged 25-44						
Total	2,080	270	650	220	780	150
Male	1,345	195	355	130	545	125
Female	730	75	300	90	240	30
Aged 45-54						
Total	635	250	220	30	95	35
Male	475	200	145	30	75	25
Female	160	45	75	10	15	15
Aged 55-64						
Total	490	235	160	15	50	15
Male	355	205	100	10	25	5
Female	135	30	65	5	25	10
Aged 65+						
Total	130	50	40	5	25	5
Male	95	30	35	0	30	5
Female	35	20	5	5	0	0

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 14

Labour Force,[1] 15 Years and Over, by Sex, Showing Industry Divisions
Richmond County, 1981

	RICHMOND COUNTY			% OF TOTAL LABOUR FORCE[1]	
	Male	Female	Total	Richmond Co.	Nova Scotia
Agriculture	15	15	30	0.7	2.3
Forestry	125	20	150	3.6	1.3
Fishing and Trapping	155	-	160	3.8	2.0
Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	50	-	50	1.2	1.8
Manufacturing	745	170	920	21.9	15.0
Construction	330	25	355	8.4	6.5
Transportation, Communication & Other Utilities	315	80	390	9.3	8.0
Trade	335	270	600	14.2	17.4
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	25	50	75	1.8	4.4
Community, Business & Personal Services	510	750	1,260	29.9	29.2
Public Administration & Defence	125	95	220	5.2	12.1
Total Labour Force[1]	2,735	1,480	4,210	100.0	100.0

[1] By place of residence, excludes persons looking for work who last worked prior to January 1, 1980, and who never worked.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 15

Experienced Labour Force[1] by Occupation Groups
Richmond County, 1981

	RICHMOND COUNTY			% OF TOTAL EXPERIENCED LABOUR FORCE	
	Male	Female	Total	Richmond Co.	Nova Scotia
Managerial, Administrative & Related	110	60	170	4.0	7.3
Natural Sciences, Engineering & Math	50	15	70	1.7	2.8
Occupations in Social Sciences & Related	20	40	60	1.4	1.5
Occupations in Religion	30	-	25	0.6	0.3
Teaching & Related Occupations	105	160	265	6.3	4.7
Occupations in Medicine & Health	15	95	115	2.7	5.2
Artistic, Literary, Recreational & Related	35	20	60	1.4	1.2
Clerical & Related	80	400	475	11.3	16.5
Sales Occupations	145	130	265	6.3	9.2
Service Occupations	235	315	545	12.9	14.6
Farming, Horticulture & Animal Husbandry	25	20	50	1.2	2.3
Fishing, Hunting, Trapping & Related	170	-	165	3.9	2.4
Forestry & Logging	95	30	120	2.8	1.2
Mining & Quarrying	20	-	15	0.4	1.0
Processing Occupations	235	125	360	8.6	5.0
Machining & Related Occupations	110	-	110	2.6	1.6
Product Fabricating, Assembly & Repairing	205	10	220	5.2	6.1
Construction Trades	575	10	585	13.9	7.6
Transport Equipment Operating	190	20	210	5.0	4.4
Materials Handling & Related	140	-	140	3.3	2.2
Other Crafts & Equipment Operating	50	5	55	1.3	1.2
Occupations not Elsewhere Classified	110	25	135	3.2	1.7
Total Experienced Labour Force[1]	2,730	1,475	4,210	100.0	100.0

[1] Excludes persons looking for work, who last worked prior to January 1, 1980 or who never worked.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

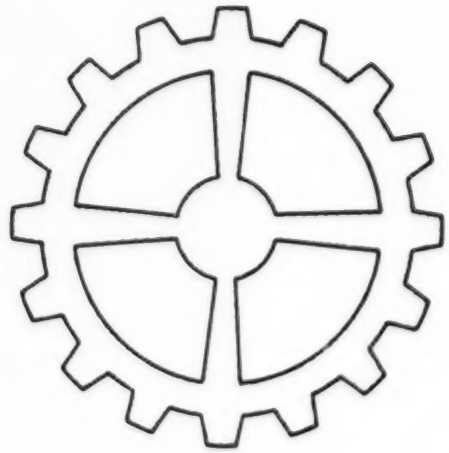


Table 16

Principal Farm Census Data
Richmond County, 1976 and 1981

	1976*	1981*
Farm Population	62	198
% of Total Population Living on Farms	0.5	1.6
Farm Operators by Age:		
Under 25 years	1	---
25-34 years	2	8
35-44 years	3	9
45-54 years	2	12
55-59 years	2	6
60-64 years	6	6
65 years and over	1	6
Total Number of Farms	17	47
- With sales of $2,500 +	11	20
Size of Farms:		
1- 9 acres	---	2
10- 69 acres	---	4
70- 129 acres	2	12
130- 179 acres	2	4
180- 239 acres	8	9
240- 399 acres	3	12
400- 559 acres	2	3
560- 759 acres	---	1
760- 1,119 acres	---	---
1,120- 1,599 acres	---	---
1,600+ acres	---	---

Cont'd .

Table 16 (con't.)

	1976*	1981*
Total Area of Farms - acres	3,997	9,127
Improved Land - acres	1,097	2,164
Under Crops - acres	679	1,114
Improved Pasture - acres	331	629
Summer Fallow - acres	12	123
Other Improved - acres	75	298
Unimproved Land - acres	2,900	6,961
Woodland - acres	2,135	5,441
Other Unimproved - acres	765	1,520
Average Size of Farms - acres	235	194
Improved Land as a % of Total Farm Land Area	27.4	23.7

*Note: In 1981, a Census farm is defined as an agricultural holding with sales of agricultural products during the year 1980 of $250 or more.

For 1976, a Census farm is defined as an agricultural holding of one acre or more with sales of agricultural products during the year 1975 of $1,200 or more.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 17

Census Farms by Economic Class and Product Type
Richmond County, 1976 and 1981

	1976*	1981*
Total number of farms	17	47
Number of farms by value of agricultural products sold in previous year		
$250,000 and over	(	---
$100,000 - $249,999	(1	3
$ 50,000 - $ 99,999	1	---
$ 25,000 - $ 49,999	4	3
$ 10,000 - $ 24,999	1	---
$ 5,000 - $ 9,999	1	9
$ 2,500 - $ 4,999	3	5
Under $2,500	6	27
Number of census farms with sales of $2,500 or more classified by product type - Total	11	20
Dairy	4	1
Cattle, hogs, sheep (excluding dairy farms)	---	7
Poultry	1	---
Wheat	---	---
Smallgrains (excluding wheat farms)	---	---
Field crops, other than smallgrains	---	---
Fruits and vegetables	---	---
Miscellaneous specialty	4	10
Mixed	2	2
Livestock combination	---	2
Field crops combination	---	---
Other combinations	2	---

*Note: See Table 16 for definition of census farms in 1976 and 1981.

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada

Table 18

Landed Value and Weight of Sea Fisheries
Richmond County, 1978-1982

	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
Value - $'000	2,654	3,195	3,557	3,482	3,633
% of Nova Scotia total	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.4
Weight - metric tonnes	11,372	10,489	11,440	10,599	11,552
% of Nova Scotia total	2.4	2.5	2.6	2.2	2.5

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, 24-205. Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Table 19

Number of Fishermen by Percent of Income Derived from Fishery
Richmond County, 1978-1982

	% of Income Derived from Fishery			
	Total	0-25%	26-75%	76-100%
1978	292	142	61	89
1979	305	174	58	73
1980	356	174	69	113
1981	322	146	64	112
1982	319	137	63	119
% of Nova Scotia				
1978	3.0	4.5	3.4	1.8
1979	2.8	4.3	3.5	1.4
1980	3.1	4.2	4.0	2.0
1981	2.8	4.4	4.0	1.7
1982	2.9	4.3	4.5	1.9

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, 24-205. Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Table 20

Area of Land Classes
Richmond County, 1970

	Area (Hectares)*	% of Total Area
Forest Land		
Productive Forest		
1. Softwood	81,926	62.5
2. Mixed Wood	19,737	15.1
3. Hardwood	3,978	3.0
Total Forested Land	105,645	80.6
Non-Forested Land	17,551	13.4
Water and Flowage	10,348	7.9
Total Area of County	131,101	100.0

*1 hectare = 2.471 acres

SOURCE: Nova Scotia Forest Inventory, Cape Breton Island Subdivision - 1970.

Table 21
Forest Production Statistics
Richmond County, 1980-1984

	Sawn Lumber (M. fbm.)					Pulpwood (M^3 - solid wood)				
	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1980	1981	1982	1983	1984
Softwood	193	194	170	429	393	148,158	132,423	75,515	79,064	73,542
Hardwood	-	-	6	-	-	484	155	-	-	1,041
Total	193	194	176	429	393	148,642	132,578	75,515	79,064	74,583
% of Nova Scotia										
Softwood	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	5.2	5.3	4.1	7.2	3.8
Hardwood	-	-	0.1	-	-	0.1	0.1	-	-	0.3
Total	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	4.5	4.7	3.8	6.2	3.3

SOURCE: Nova Scotia Forest Products Directory

Table 22

Forest Production Statistics (in Common Measure)
Richmond County, 1981-1982

	1981	1982	% OF NOVA SCOTIA 1981	% OF NOVA SCOTIA 1982
Lumber (M. fbm.)	194	176	0.1	0.1
Boxwood (M. fbm.)	-	-	-	-
Railway Ties (M. fbm.)	-	-	-	-
Mine Packs (M. fbm.)	-	-	-	-
Laths (M's)	95	220	1.7	4.1
Shingles (Squares)	-	-	-	-
Staves & Headings (M. fbm.)	-	-	-	-
Residue Chips (M^3 Stacked)	-	-	-	-
Pulpwood - Rough (M^3 Stacked)	216,339	122,425	4.7	3.8
Pit Props - Rough (M^3 Stacked)	1,225	1,497	14.5	11.2
Poles & Piling (M^3)	-	-	-	-

SOURCE: Nova Scotia Forest Products Directory

Table 23

Principal statistics for Manufacturing Industries
Richmond County, 1978-1981

		MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY								
		Production and Related Workers								
	Year	Number of Establishments	Male	Female	Man-Hours Paid ($'000)	Wages ($'000)	Cost of Fuel & Electricity ($'000)	Cost of Materials & Supplies ($'000)	Value of Shipments of Goods of Own Manufacture ($'000)	Value Added Manufacturing Activity ($'000)
Richmond, Inverness & Victoria Counties*	1976	23	1,202	165	2,987	18,263	25,263	182,536	239,559	39,389
	1977	22	1,097	149	2,950	20,303	33,262	283,459	366,681	62,878
	1978	21	1,077	146	2,846	22,035	40,643	247,370	385,986	78,051
	1979	26	1,257	177	3,318	25,920	42,573	347,531	466,873	102,007
% Richmond, Inverness & Victoria Counties of Nova Scotia	1976	3.5	5.6	3.1	5.4	6.7	29.2	14.9	12.1	5.8
	1977	3.5	5.4	2.9	5.5	7.1	33.0	20.1	16.7	8.6
	1978	2.9	5.0	2.6	4.9	6.7	29.5	14.9	14.2	8.7
	1979	3.4	5.4	3.0	5.2	6.5	27.9	16.6	14.5	9.9

*Combined data for three counties due to confidentiality

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, 31-209

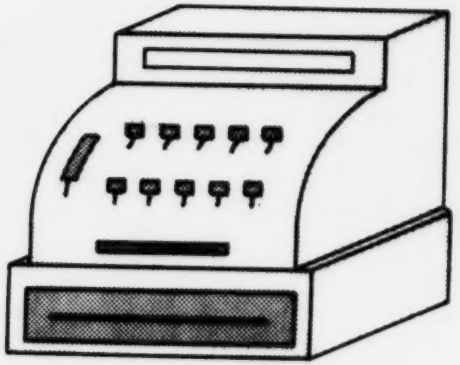


Table 24

Retail Sales
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1981-1983

	YEAR	RICHMOND COUNTY ($'000)	RETAIL SALES PER CAPITA	
			RICHMOND COUNTY[1] ($)	NOVA SCOTIA ($)
Food	1981	7,900	643	876
	1982	9,100	741	1,023
	1983	-	-	1,133
Automotive	1981	3,200	260	905
	1982	3,400	277	867
	1983	-	-	963
Clothing	1981	400	33	171
	1982	400	33	184
	1983	-	-	200
Hardware	1981	-	-	34
	1982	-	-	35
	1983	-	-	39
Home Furnishings Appliances, TV, Radios	1981	100	8	67
	1982	200	16	73
	1983	-	-	77
Total Retail Sales[2]	1981	19,100	1,555	3,315
	1982	21,200	1,726	3,540
	1983	23,900	1,941	3,994

[1]Sales per capita are derived by using the 1981 Census populations.

[2]Includes sales of other retail groups not specified above.

SOURCE: The Financial Post, Canadian Markets

Table 25
Building Permits Issued
Richmond County and Nova Scotia, 1982-1984

	NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS			VALUE OF CONSTRUCTION				
	Single & Double Dwellings	Other	Total	Residential	Industrial	Commercial	Institutional & Government	Total
	(units)			($'000)				
1981								
Richmond County	73	10	83	3,914	4,120	649	24	8,707
Nova Scotia	3,374	1,063	4,437	196,312	43,899	76,245	60,086	376,542
1982								
Richmond County	66	-	66	3,157	31	55	390	3,633
Nova Scotia	3,272	526	3,798	181,371	18,555	58,675	65,266	323,867
1983								
Richmond County	96	12	108	5,251	119	190	1,904	7,464
Nova Scotia	4,971	1,052	6,023	320,624	17,347	74,764	56,516	469,251
1984								
Richmond County	68	-	68	4,671	107	357	1,365	6,500
Nova Scotia	4,846	1,120	5,966	334,179	21,454	146,947	58,897	561,477

SOURCE: Statistics Canada, 64-203

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MUNICIPALITIES AND 1983 TAX RATES (PER $100 OF ASSESSMENT)

	Residential	Commercial
Municipality of the County of Richmond	$ 1.43	$ 2.01

AREA AND DENSITY

	Land Area Sq. Kilometers	Population Density Per Sq. Kilometer
County of Richmond	1,230.2	10.0

DEMOGRAPHICS (ALL AS PERCENT OF TOTAL POPULATION)

Religion - 1981		Ethnic Groups - 1981		Mother Tongue - 1981	
Roman Catholic	86.6%	French	45.7%	English	64.1%
United Church	6.3%	British Isles	39.4%	French	33.5%
Anglican	2.1%	Native Indian	2.0%	Native Indian	1.5%
Other Protestant	4.0%	Other	12.9%	Other	0.9%
Other	1.0%				

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

In Richmond County 195 teachers serve 16 schools. Enrolment in 1983-84 was 1,460 elementary, 763 junior high, 659 senior high and 152 in other programs. Pupils of Point Tupper School attend the Strait Area Education and Recreation Centre at Port Hawkesbury in Inverness County. Vocational training is available at Sydney and Port Hawkesbury.

HOSPITALS

Strait-Richmond Hospital, Cleveland, R.R. #1	48 beds

INDUSTRIAL PARKS

Point Tupper Industrial Park

LARGEST INDUSTRIAL EMPLOYERS

	Approximate Employment
Nova Scotia Forest Industries, Point Tupper	1,050
Port Hawkesbury Heavy Water Plant, Point Tupper	400
Richmond Fisheries, Petit-de-Grat	270
Breton Industrial & Marine Ltd., Point Tupper	100

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

	Kilometers
Paved Highways - Arterial	78.5
- Collector	108.6
- Local	156.0
Unpaved Highways	523.6
Total	866.7

Road Motor Vehicle Registrations, 1982	Number
Passenger Automobiles	2,839
Trucks and buses	1,169
Total	4,008

Rail

The C.N.R. provides service to the major industries at Point Tupper and daily on-highway express service to other points in the county. VIA Rail operate a passenger service from nearby Port Hawkesbury to Sydney and Halifax making connections to other areas both within the Province and beyond.

Air

The nearest commercial airport is located at Sydney, a distance of 150 km. The Port Hawkesbury airport with a 1,525 meter paved runway is available for private and charter aircraft.

Bus

Acadian Lines provides service via trunk highway 4 to Sydney and Halifax.

TRANSPORTATION (Continued)

Marine

Harbour facilities at Arichat are operated by Transport Canada. Petit-de-Grat is a major fishing port on Isle Madame. The Point Tupper industrial area is served with several major docking facilities including the Gulf Canada marine terminal which can accommodate tankers to 326,000 dead-weight tons.

COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers and Magazines

The Richmond County Record	Weekly circulation

Radio Stations

Arichat - CBAF - 13	40 watts

TV Stations

Strait of Canso Cable TV Limited serves Point Tupper.
Rush Air Services serves Arichat, Louisdale and Petit de Grat (CANCOM).

TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATIONS

	Hotel Rooms	Motel Units	Guest House Rooms	Cottages & Cabins	Total
Arichat	-	10	-	-	10
St. Peter's	13	6	-	6	25
Dundee	-	-	-	39	39
Total	13	16	-	45	74